

Nov 1997 Newsletter

Holiday Greetings!

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And at this writing, autumn leaves are flying and the trick or treaters will be here shortly! I've got my pumpkin tee-shirt ready and tons o'candy.

Are you ready for something new and exciting? Program Chairwoman Debbie Tintle has a watercolor and COLLAGE demo by multi-award winner Nessa Grainger planned for us Monday, November 10, 7:30 pm at the Somerset County Library. Nessa, a member of the NJ Watercolor Society and several other prestigious art organizations will have something really different. Please join us. President Linda Arnold has spoken with library representatives about the noise problem in the next meeting room, but apparently not much can be done. However, all eyes will be focused on Nessa and we'll have to focus our ears, too (antennae, anyone?)

FALL Members Show and HOLIDAY COLLECTION Show is sooner than you think. Elsa Herrmann is in charge of the Members Show; delivery is from 5:30--7:00 pm on Tues. night, Dec. 2 at the Somerset County Library. These judged works will hang in the Lobby Gallery; the Holiday Collection (non-judged) will be on racks throughout the library and in the display cases. Anyone wishing to help hang the works can call Elsa at 439-3526. As usual, the categories are pro and non-pro, under-glass and not-under-glass.

As for the Holiday Collection, naturally you'll want to be part of our 16th Annual Holiday Show at the library. Again, your editor is setting this all up and a form is enclosed; spaces are assigned on a first-come, first-space basis. ALL DUES MUST BE PAID for either show; we will ask you about it on delivery day (checks made out to RVAA go to treasurer Ed Golubiewski, 516 Thompson Ave., Bound Brook, NJ, 08805, 356-9091} I will be doing publicity for the show also, so if you wish to send me a b & w photo of you and your work, or your work alone, I'll mail it in (sometimes if you include an SASE with the photo, the paper will mail it back; I'll send everything along with my article and hope for the best}. Smaller works (i.e. cheaper) usually sell better. Sometimes including one or two really pricey works along with smaller, cheaper works makes the buyer feel they're getting a bargain. Sometimes it's just what matches the sofa. The editor is not being cynical here; the editor has been in (and sometimes run) this show from its inception and loves it.

SUPER CELEBRATORY FUN & AWARDS DINNER! Nona Rutter is again Chairwoman of this very fun event. Mon. Dec 8th at the Main Street Restaurant, 600 Main Street, Bridgewater (FINDERNE Ave. exit off Rt. 22 East, turn rt. at 3rd light, onto Main St., and the restaurant is on your left, just past the gas station. Same price as last year and the year before--\$25. made out to RVAA, and mailed to Nona Rutter, 110 Washington Corner Rd, Bernardsville, 07924, by Dec.5th. 6:00-7:00 is cash bar plus appetizers; then we feast from a tremendous salad bar, next we have entrees, with choice of beef, fish, or chicken dishes (vegetarian pasta also, please phone or let Nona know on form if you prefer vegetarian), and of course dessert choices, and coffee & tea. Guests are very welcome! Don't miss this chance to schmooze with fellow artist-friends and guests. Tear-off form is also included in this Newsletter. More info? Nona's at 766-4962.

RVAA member Donna Hopkins sent in an interesting article on computer art (ELECTRONIC PUBLISHING Oct. 1997) and the end of the article mentions a special exhibit at the George Washington University Dimock Gallery in Washington, D.C. of computer art, printmaking skills and techniques, from Dec. 11 through Jan. 30, 1998. We mention it since many of you will be travelling over the holidays and you might want to see this.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Kathy Detrano won First Place in Pastel & Mixed Media in the Pluckemin Presbyterian Church's Juried Art in the Hills Show in September. Kathy has also been awarded the "Joe Hing Lowe" Scholarship to study pastel painting with this master pastelist this fall by the Pastel Society of America.

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Connie Gray will have a one-woman show of her watercolors at the Hillsborough Gallery, Nelsons Corner Shopping Center, 601 Rt. 206, Belle Mead during the month of December. For hours, please phone 908-281-1855. Connie was also accepted into the Open Juried Garden State Watercolor Society Show and the juried 1860 House Show in Montgomery.

Among those accepted into the juried Tewksbury Historical Society show were RVAA members Ed Baumlin, Susan Furey, Connie Gray, Anne Hand, Elsa Herrmann, Corinne Kenney, Colette Lemay, Helen Maier, Joan McKinney, Diana Patton, Debbie Tintle, Doris Terris, Nancy Schuman, and John Spitzmiller. In the Pro-Division, Anne Hand won Honorable Mention in Florals, Doris Terris won First and Diana Patton Honorable Mention in Still-lives & Interiors, and Joan McKinney won First in Buildings. In the Non-pro Division Nancy Schuman won First in Florals, and Colette Lemay won First in Buildings, while Helen Maier won Second in Buildings.

The students of Diana Wilkoc Patton are having a show of their watercolors in the Lobby Gallery of the Somerset County Library for the month of November, including RVAA members Connie Gray, Mary Ann Ihnat, and John Spitzmiller; Diana's work will be at the same time on the curved wall gallery. Diana also has a one-woman show at the Hillsborough Library in Nov. with a mix of watercolors, miniatures, and sculptured jewelry. She was accepted into the Garden State Watercolor Society Open Juried Show and won Honorable Mention at the juried 1860 House Show.

Doris Keller Terris received the Garden State Watercolor Society President's Award for a painting in the Open Juried Exhibit at Ellarslie, Trenton City Museum. The show runs Nov 9--Jan 4, Tues-Sat, 11-3 Tues.-Sat 2-4.. 609-989-3632. Doris also was accepted into the Garden State Watercolor Society's Juried Associates' Show.

Debbie Tintle is having a one-woman show of her watercolors at the Clarence Dillon Library on Lamington Road in Bedminster for the month of November. You are all especially invited to her Opening Reception on Thursday evening, November 13, from 6-8 pm at the library. Debbie also has work in the Open Juried Shows of the NJ Watercolor Society and the Garden State Watercolor Society.

Please keep your members news notes coming (phone calls sometimes get lost on the machine) and until the January Newsletter, Happy Halloween, Happy Thanksgiving, Happy Hanukah, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year! Oh, my!

SEE YOU AT RECEIVING!

I _____ am delighted to

attend RVAA's SuperFun Dinner & Awards Night. Enclosed is (\$25. per person)

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guest(s) _____

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by Friday, Dec. .